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EDITORIALS†

NEW PLACEMENT FOR THE EDITORIALS

Beginning with the current issue, in response to the request of members of the California Medical Association Committee on Public Relations and other readers, and in line with several state association publications, the editorials are given first place in the pages of text. This action was thought to be desirable because CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, as the official journal of the California Medical Association, was called into being in order to bring the problems of organized medicine to the prompt attention of the Association members. It is to be hoped that the typographical change and make-up will meet with their approval. It has been stated on many occasions that officers of the Association and its component county societies can perform their work to best advantage, in proportion as they understand the points of view held by members concerning medical problems and policies; and it is believed that this change in the placement of editorial discussions will aid in the attainment of that end.

THE A. M. A. AND HEALTH INSURANCE IN CALIFORNIA

Atlantic City Press Dispatches Concerning the California Medical Association and Health Insurance.—Considerable interest has been shown by members, and requests made for more information regarding the Associated Press* and other news dispatches sent out from Atlantic City on June 12 last, following the election of officers of the American Medical Association, at which time Dr. Frederick C. Warnshuis, the present secretary of the California Medical Association and since 1922 distinguished as the Speaker of the American Medical Association House of Delegates, was not reelected—supposedly as a chastisement to the California Medical Association for its action in taking an active part in drafting a law for some form of compulsory health insurance. These national press bureau dispatches, incorporating the so-called "spanking" item, may or may not have had the approval of the American Medi-

† Editorials on subjects of scientific and clinical interest, contributed by members of the California Medical Association, are printed in the Editorial Comments column, which follows.

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